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This application is a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), of copending prior application Serial No. 09/819,185, filed March 27, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,689,071, of Fred H. Burbank et al., for ELECTROSURGICAL BIOPSY DEVICE AND METHOD, which is continuation of then copending application Serial No. 09/159,467, filed September 23, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,261,241, which is a continuation-in-part of then copending application Serial No. 09/057,303, filed April 8, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,331,166, which claims benefit of provisional application Serial No. 60/076,973, filed March 3, 1998, all of which are incorporated herein in its entirety.

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